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that would violate an applicable National Highway Traffic Safety Administration or Federal Highway Administration safety rule.

§ 37.213 Information collection requirements.

(a) This paragraph (a) applies to demand-responsive operators under § 37.189 and fixed-route operators under § 37.193(a)(1) that are required to, and small mixed-service operators under § 37.191 that choose to, provide accessible OTRB service on 48 hours' advance notice.

(1) When the operator receives a request for accessible bus service, the operator shall complete lines 1-8 of the Form A in Appendix A to this subpart. The operator shall immediately provide a copy of the form to the passenger.

(2) On the scheduled date of the trip, the operator shall complete lines 9-11 of the form. In any case in which the requested accessible bus was not provided, the operator shall immediately provide a copy of the form to the passenger.

(3) The operator shall retain its copy of the completed form for five years. The operator shall make these forms available to Department of Transportation or Department of Justice officials at their request.

(4) Beginning October 29, 2001 for large operators, and October 28, 2002 for small operators, and on that date in each year thereafter, each operator shall submit a summary of its forms to the Department of Transportation. The summary shall state the number of requests for accessible bus service, the number of times these requests were met, and the number of times compensation was paid. It shall also include the name, address, telephone number, and contact person name for the operator.

(b) This paragraph (b) applies to small fixed-route operators who choose to provide equivalent service to passengers with disabilities under § 37.183(b)(2).

(1) The operator shall complete Form B in Appendix A to this subpart on every occasion on which a passenger with a disability needs equivalent serv-

ice in order to be provided transportation.

(2) The operator shall provide one copy of the form to the passenger and retain another copy of the completed form for five years. The operator shall make these forms available to Department of Transportation or Department of Justice officials at their request.

(3) Beginning October 28, 2002, and on that date in each year thereafter, each operator shall submit a summary of its forms to the Department of Transportation. The summary shall state the number of situations in which equivalent service was needed, the number of times such service was provided, and the number of times compensation was paid. It shall also include the name, address, telephone number, and contact person name for the operator.

(c) Beginning October 30, 2000 for large operators, and October 29, 2001 for small operators, and on that date in each year thereafter, each fixed-route operator shall submit to the Department a report on how many passengers with disabilities used the lift to board accessible buses. For fixed-route operators, the report shall reflect separately the data pertaining to 48-hour advance reservation service and other service.

(d) Each operator shall submit to the Department, October 28, 1999 and each year thereafter on that date, a summary report listing the number of new buses and used buses it has purchased or leased during the preceding year, and how many of the buses in each category are accessible. It shall also include the total number of buses in the operator's fleet and the name, address, telephone number, and contact person name for the operator.

(e) The information required to be submitted to the Department shall be sent to the following address: Bureau of Transportation Statistics, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590.

§ 37.215 Review of requirements.

(a) Beginning October 28, 2005, the Department will review the requirements of § 37.189 and their implementation. The Department will complete this review by October 30, 2006.

(1) As part of this review, the Department will consider factors including,